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SRI K. VINAYAKAM : While comparing the relative figures, it is found that cases of cotton betting have decreased in our State whereas cases of running of brothels are on the increase. What is it due to?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : இதற்குக் காரணம் என்னால் சொல்ல முடியாது. ஆனால், காட்டன் பெட்டிங் குறிப்பிட்ட சில விடங்களில் சென்னை நகரம், செங்கல்பட்டு, வடாற்காடு முதலிய இடங்களில்தான் நடக்கிறதே தவிர, எல்லா இடங்களிலும் நடப்பது கிடையாது. ரன்னிங் ப்ராதல் என்பது கூட ரொம்பக் குறைவாகத்தான் இருக்கிறது. செங்கல்பட்டு, திருச்சிராப்பள்ளி, திருநெல்வேலி என்று இங்கெல்லாம் ஒவ்வொன்றுதான். சேலத்தில் ஒன்று. காட்டன் பெட்டிங்கைவிட குறைவாக இருக்கிறது.

SRI A. A. RASHEED : Is it a fact that more number of persons are arrested on a charge of cotton betting on meer suspicion and nearly fifty percent of them are later on acquitted?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : If the hon. Member with his experience would devise some practical measures to deal with these things including investigation of cases I shall go into them and then ask the Police to consider the same.

Remission of land revenue

* 226 Q.—**SRI S. PAKKIRISAMI PILLAI :** Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether there was a remission of land revenue ordered up to four annas limit in Ramanathapuram district area;

(b) whether no remission order has been issued to the villages of Paramakudi taluk in Sivaganga Estate area; and

(c) the reason for not extending the special relief concession to the villages of Paramakudi taluk?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Orders have been issued granting remission to the villages referred to.

(c) Does not arise.

Procurement of paddy

* 227 Q.—**SRI N. K. PALANISAMI :** Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(a) whether there is any proposal to procure paddy by way of compulsory levy on landlords; and

(b) if so, the details of the same?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (a) There are several suggestions before the Government regarding the method of procurement. A levy on producers is one among them. None of these suggestions have taken any final shape.

(b) This question does not arise in view of the answer to clause (a).